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## SENATE RESOLUTION

## MADAM PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

A RESOLUTION encouraging medical schools to require medical students interested in pediatrics and family medicine to complete a rotation in a clinic with a history of diagnosing and treating people with autism spectrum disorder.

Whereas, As future physicians, medical students must be fully aware of the relationship between a patient's medical problems and autism spectrum disorder;

Whereas, An understanding of the relationship between medical problems and autism and other pervasive developmental disorders is particularly important for medical students in the areas of pediatric and family medicine; and

Whereas, Medical students who complete a rotation in a clinic with a history of diagnosing and treating autism and other pervasive developmental disorders can broaden their clinical approach and learn to make the best possible decisions under all conditions: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly and the Indiana Commission on Autism encourage medical students, specifically those



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- 1 with an interest in pediatrics and family medicine, to complete
- 2 additional studies and a rotation with an emphasis on autism and other
- 3 pervasive developmental disorders.



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